

CLERK: 721 was a bill introduced by the Appropriations Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) The bill was first read on April 19. It was referred directly to General File, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Chairman Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this is a deficiency bill. It has a total appropriation of general fund appropriation and cash in federal of \$9,492,000, \$7.5 million of this is general fund. Did you read the committee amendment? There is a committee amendment. May as well take that up first and then I will explain the bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, the committee amendment is found on page 1919 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: The committee amendments, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, the committee amendment is two items that one of which came in after the bills were being printed. There is an appropriation of \$105,175 from the state building fund for this year with the unexpended balance reappropriated. This is to replace a roof on the Game and Parks Building. The roof is in bad shape. It is not eligible for 309 money as it is...well, the building is in two parts but part of the building is still under a bond arrangement for the...that was used for its construction and title to the building is not as yet in the state's name and 309 money is limited to property owned...titled to the state. Eventually, of course, the Game and Parks building, that portion that was built with the bond money, will be owned by the state but not yet. It is about nine years, I believe, since the roof was repaired. It was having severe problems. It needs to be attended to right away. The 309 Task Force has reviewed it, approved the necessity of doing it, but it must be used with general fund money. In addition, the amendment also would lapse from the Motorcycle Safety Education Fund to the general fund \$125,000 which are funds that are built up over and above what is required and that would provide for funding for this particular general fund expenditure in the deficiency bill. So I would move approval of the committee amendments.